Maryland Department of Natural Resources – Wildlife and Heritage Service

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SUSQUEHANNA STATE PARK 2015-2016 BOW HUNTING AREAS OPEN FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2015 Hunting is permitted in Area A and Area B at Susquehanna State Park

NEW THIS YEAR: In an effort to provide better service, and to streamline the bow hunting registration process, we will now be using the free **Central Region Public Hunting Permit** rather than a separate Susquehanna State Park Permit.

<u>REGISTRATION</u>: A seasonal permit will be issued to each hunter who registers with the permit coordinator at the Gwynnbrook Office. To register, a hunter may:

- a.) Visit the Gwynnbrook Office (Mon. through Fri., 7:30 11:30 a.m.), and present their hunting license at that time. Or,
- b.) Apply online at http://dnr2.maryland.gov/wildlife/Pages/publiclands/wmacentral.aspx. Online applications will be processed within 1-2 business days. Permits will be sent to hunters via email. Or,
- c.) Mail a photocopy of their hunting license, daytime phone number, and vehicle tag # to the permit coordinator at the Gwynnbrook Office. Include a letter-sized envelope with return address and first class postage. (We do not accept licenses by fax.)

REGULATIONS:

- 1. The \$35 DNR Managed Hunt Permit (available online on COMPASS or anywhere licenses are sold) is required in addition to the free Central Region Public Hunting Permit.
- 2. Hunting is permitted on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays ONLY.
- 3. Hunting is for deer ONLY; no other species may be hunted.
- 4. Firearms and Muzzleloaders are prohibited. Only archery equipment (including crossbows) may be used.
- 5. Hunters must sign in and out at the hunter bulletin boards located at the parking areas. Area A allows a maximum of 25 hunters at one time. Area B allows a maximum of 10 hunters at one time. When the sign in sheets are full, the hunting area is full.
- 6. **NEW THIS YEAR**: Hunters may not sign up until the day of the hunt.
- 7. Hunters may enter the area one hour before legal shooting time to set up and must be out of the area by one hour after shooting time ends.
- 8. You are responsible for familiarizing yourself with the hunting area boundary lines, safety zones, established trails throughout the hunting areas, as well as the campground area.
- 9. While the campground is open, safety zones have been established around this area. Hunting or carrying weapons is <u>prohibited</u> in both loops of the campground until 10/28/15. **You may not hunt within 100 yards of the campsites when it is open.** It is your responsibility to know your distance and site locations. After 10/28/15 hunting and traveling are permitted within the campground.

- 10. Portable tree stands and steps are permitted, but cannot be screwed or nailed into trees. All stands must be removed at the end of each day. The use of tree stands is recommended at all times, especially when hunting near established trails.
- 11. **NEW THIS YEAR**: The requirement to harvest an antlerless deer prior to an antlered deer no longer applies. Statewide bag limits apply.
- 12. You must contact park personnel before tracking a wounded deer out of the hunting area, or to be in the park after hours for any reason. 24 hour dispatch 410-260-8888, Office 410-557-7994
- 13. Do not field dress deer near trails, parking lots or areas frequented by other park visitors. Do not bring deer out through Steppingstone Museum or the Historic Area.
- 14. All harvested deer **must** be recorded on the sign in sheet by the bulletin board in the hunter parking lot.

PARKING:

- 1. Parking for Area A is at the Susquehanna maintenance shop. Parking for Area B is at the pull offs on Quaker Bottom Road. (See attached map). Please park in designated areas.
- 2. Your Parking Pass will be issued with the "Free Central Region Public Hunting Permit." This pass must be displayed in the windshield of your vehicle.

GENERAL:

- 1. All State and Federal hunting laws, as well as park regulations, will be strictly enforced.
- 2. Maryland State Parks are "Trash Free". All trash must be packed out.
- 3. Violating the rules of this program may result in the loss of your hunting privileges. Please exercise caution and conduct yourself in an ethical, sportsmanlike manner when in the field.

PUBLIC LAND CODES:

Use these codes to check in your harvest.

• Harford County: 12

• Susquehanna State Park: 328

